

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

1. (Original) An alkaline lipase having an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 5.
2. (Original) A polynucleotide comprising a sequence encoding an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 5.
3. (Original) The polynucleotide of claim 2, comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4.
4. (Original) The polynucleotide of claim 2, comprising nucleotide sequences of SEQ ID NO: 2 and SEQ ID NO: 4.
5. (Original) The polynucleotide of claim 2, comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1.
6. (Original) A recombinant vector comprising the polynucleotide of claim 2.
7. (Original) The recombinant vector of claim 6, wherein the recombinant vector is pHL1, pHLB29 or pHAH38.
8. (Currently Amended) A transformed host cell transformed by the recombinant vector of claim 6 ~~or 7~~.
9. (Original) The transformed host cell of claim 8, wherein the transformed host cell is *Escherichia. coli*.

10. (Original) The transformed host cell of claim 9, wherein the transformed host cell is HB101 (pHL1).

11. (Original) A method of producing an alkaline lipase comprising culturing the transformed host cell of claim 8.

12. (Original) A detergent comprising the alkaline lipase of claim 1.

13. (New) The transformed host cell of claim 8, wherein the recombinant vector is pHL1, pHLB29 or pHAH38.